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FOR NEA/IRAN, NAAS FROM MARTIN

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SUBJ: VISITOR CLEARANCE

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1. DOD HAS BEEN MISINFORMED. EMBASSY HAS CLEARED, AND WILL CONTINUE TO CLEAR ON BASIS DESCRIBED STATE 090315 AND TEHRAN 3523, WORK ON EMBASSY COMPOUND BY SURVEY TEAM. YOU ARE ENTIRELY CORRECT, THAT TEHRAN 3523 PROVIDED NECESSARY CLEARANCE IN THAT REGARD.

2. HOWEVER, AFTER ARRIVING TEHRAN AND BEFORE BEGINNING THAT WORK SURVEY TEAM LEADER RECEIVED TELEGRAPHIC INSTRUCTION FROM HIS HEADQUARTERS THAT TEAM SHOULD, AS IMMEDIATE AND FIRST PRIORITY, UNDERTAKE SURVEY RELATED TO MAROON ARCHER PROGRAM, AND ONLY UNDERTAKE SURVEY WORK FOR WHICH APPROVAL HAD BEEN OBTAINED FOLLOWING COMPLETION MAROON ARCHER WORK. WHEN INFORMED OF THIS BY SURVEY TEAM LEADER, ACCOM COMMANDER TOLD TEAM LEADER THAT INSTRUCTION SECRET

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SHOULD BE CHECKED WITH EMBASSY SINCE IT INVOLVED NEW ACTIVITY NOT YET COORDINATED WITHIN THE MISSION.

ACCOM COMMANDER THEN CONTACTED ME TO STATE THAT HE HAD ADVISED SURVEY TEAM LEADER THAT NOTHING SHOULD BE DONE WITH RESPECT TO NEW INSTRUCTION PRIOR TO MISSION COORDINATION AND APPROVAL. I SO INFORMED CHARGE WHO COMMENDED ACCOM COMMANDER FOR HIS CORRECT

ACTION.

- 3. I THEN CONTACTED ACCOM COMMANDER AND INFORMED HIM THAT EMBASSY WOULD SUPPORT NEW INSTRUCTION PROVIDED MISSION RECEIVED SOME FORMAL INDICATION THAT IT (NEW INSTRUCTION) HAD APPROVAL OF ALL APPROPRIATE WASHINGTON AGENCIES, INCLUDING DEPARTMENT OF STATE. ACCOM COMMANDER SO INFORMED SURVEY TEAM LEADER WHO, I GATHER, WAS PLANNING TO ADVISE HIS HEADQUARTERS SO THAT IT COULD OBTAIN ANY NECESSARY WASHINGTON APPROVAL NOT YET IN HAND WITH RESPECT TO MAROON ARCHER INSTRUCTION.
- 4. I HAVE NOT YET HEARD AGAIN FROM ACCOM COMMANDER, BUT YOUR TELEGRAM ARRIVED THIS MORNING. I HOPE THIS EXPLAINS CURRENT BACKGROUND OF WHERE THINGS STAND HERE.
- 5. AS SOON AS WE RECEIVE FORMAL NOTIFICATION MENTIONED PARA 3 ABOVE, EMBASSY WILL BE DELIGHTED TO HAVE SURVEY TEAM GET ON WITH ANY AND ALL WORK THAT HAS BEEN ACCORDED APPROPRIATE APPROVAL.
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